MINUTES OF THE HOLLYWOOD PARK DEER COMMITTEE MEETING SEPTEMBER 11, 2017

The Hollywood Park Deer Committee met in a regular session on September 11, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Notice was posted in accordance with the Texas Opening Meeting Laws. Committee Chair LuAnn Montgomery called the meeting to order. Committee Members present were LuAnn Montgomery, Tonya Cummings, Nancy Swan, Reid Loehman, Barbara Schmitz, Michael Crevoisier, Doug Brown, Ricky Smith and Debbie Trueman. Carol Ingham was absent. Also present were City Secretary Janice Alamia and attorney Artin DerOhanian.

<u>APPROVE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING</u> The minutes of the July 10, 2017 meeting were discussed and amended to include Nancy Swan and Barbara Schmitz on the "deer sign" subcommittee. Tonya Cummings made a motion to accept the minutes as amended and Doug Brown seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIALS OF DEER COMMITTEE AS OF AUGUST 31, 2017 The financials were presented and discussed. Annual budget for deer management supplies is \$8,500.00, with a balance of \$1,872.00. Deer Manager Salary is showing \$1,000.00 over-budget because he was inadvertently overpaid. Deer Committee attorney fees budget is \$4,200.00, with a balance of \$777.00.

WILDLIFE INCIDENT REPORTS There were six Wildlife Incident Reports:

7/7/17	424 Rua de Matta	Dead fawn in road – struck by vehicle.
8/7/17	132 Ridge Trail	Dead fawn – unknown cause.
8/10/17	422 Rua de Matta	Injured fawn, possibly stuck be vehicle, released to Wildlife Rescue.
8/13/17	313 El Portal	Injured fawn with laceration, transported to Wildlife Rescue.
8/29/17	616 Rua de Matta	Resident reported an injured buck with a broken leg; Buck was gone when Deer Committee Chair arrived.
9/5/17	217 Mecca	Dead fawn – unknown cause.

Doug Brown made a motion to approve the Wildlife Incident Reports as presented and discussed, and Reid Loehman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION None.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Discuss and take possible action on H.P. Deer Management expenditures. Deer Project Manager Randy Tomasini reported that he purchased two new tracking devices and containment vessels.
- 2. Review, discuss and take possible action on 2017-18 trapping season and issues related thereto. Deer Project Manager Randy Tomasini reported that there was a resident at the Meet the Mayor meeting who was interested in taking deer, and a woman in Bandera County who took deer before is still interested. Johnny Arredondo replaced Matt Reedy as the TPW Biologist that HP deals with.
- 3. Update on status of CWD samples. As of September 11, 2017, HP had still only obtained one sample for CWD testing. Several Committee Members expressed concern that it is premature to kill deer for testing before HP has release sites secured, and before we conduct the fall deer census. The turnaround time of getting tested samples back from the lab is an issue.
- 4. Discuss and take possible action on acquiring seasonal signage to alert drivers during fawn season and during rut. The "deer sign" subcommittee presented proposed signage. Barbara Schmitz made a motion that the Committee approve the signs saying. "Caution: Watch for Fawns" and "Caution: Bucks in Rut," with the designs presented, for use on the Clear Chanel billboard, upon approval of the City Council. Tonya Cummings seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Debbie Trueman made a motion that the Committee present to Council the "Caution: Watch for Fawns" and "Caution: Bucks in Rut" yard signs, with the designs presented, and upon approval by Council, order the signs. Barbara Schmitz seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Discuss and take possible action in annual election of Committee officers. Barbara Schmitz nominated Debbie Trueman for Secretary; Debbie Trueman nominated Carol Ingham for Vice Chair; Nancy Swan nominated LuAnn Montgomery as Chair. The nominations were approved unanimously.
- 6. **Discuss and take possible action to set date for Fall Deer Census.** The Fall Deer Census was confirmed for Thursday, September 14, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF DATE AND AGENDA FOR NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

- 1. Review, discuss and take possible action on H.P. Deer Management expenditures.
- 2. Review, discuss, take possible action on 2017-18 trapping season and issues related thereto.
- 3. Update on status of CWD samples.
- 4. Discuss and take possible action on final status of acquiring seasonal signage to alert drivers during fawn season and during rut, including expenditures.
- 5. Discuss and take possible action on results of Fall Deer Census.

Next Deer Committee meeting was set for Monday, October 2, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT Mike Crevoisier made a motion to adjourn and Tonya Cummings seconded. Chair LuAnn Montgomery adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.